

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 15, please replace paragraph [0018] with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

[0018] In Fig. 1, a controlled appliance 300A is an electronic appliance being used in a household, such as a personal computer (PC), a tuner, a television receiver or a DVD recorder. Data transmission and reception are carried out between the controlled appliance ~~350A~~ 300A and a server ~~450~~ 350A being connected to the controlled appliance 300A via a communication means, such as the Internet. However, the communication means is not limited to the Internet.

On page 17, please replace paragraph [0019] with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

[0019] Fig. 2 shows an example of the data management table stored in the data management part 353 of the server 350A in the remote control apparatus according to Embodiment 1. In the data management table, at least an appliance ID for identifying the controlled appliance ~~350A~~ 300A and data indicating the name and storage location of the data transmitted to the appliance ID or the data being stored. The table is configured so that the data corresponding to the appliance ID can be fetched from the data filing part 352 on the basis of the data management table of the data management part 353 when the server 350A receives a data acquisition request from the controlled appliance 300A.

On page 21, please replace the paragraph beginning on line 5 with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

When the data storage is finished, the server 350A confirms whether other data is stored in the data filing part 352 or not (at step 110). If other data is present, step 106 and the following steps are carried out in the same procedure as described above, and the data is stored. The above-mentioned processing is repeated until the stored data that corresponds to the appliance ID and is stored in the data filing part 452 352 of the server 350A becomes extinct.

On page 32, please replace the paragraph beginning on line 9 with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

The remote control apparatus according to Embodiment 8 is provided with the receiving part 358 that receives electronic mail to which images are attached and the analyzing part 359 that analyzes the received electronic mail, as means for storing data in the data filing part 352 of the server 350E. In the remote control apparatus according to Embodiment 8 configured as described above, at the server 350E, image data and text data transmitted in the form of electronic mail from various electronic appliances can be sorted and stored in a format transmittable to the controlled appliance 300 300A. Hence, the acquisition range of data to be transmitted from the server 350E to the controlled appliance 300A can be widened. As a result, it is less necessary to limit the acquisition format, and the remote control apparatus according to Embodiment 8 is a system that is easy to use.